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The Honorable Arthur E. Summerfield  
The Postmaster General  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Arthur:

On 21 August you demonstrated to me an experiment in the use of telecommunications for handling mail which you are conducting. It seems to me that it would be of value to many Government agencies, to business, and to the public, particularly if provisions for "privacy" can be developed.

This concept has interesting possibilities and I believe its development should go forward until these are fully explored. It may very well be that some of these possibilities would have direct application to the work of this Agency, particularly if the technique can be developed for use in communications to and from overseas points. This would be of special value to us.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

Allen W. Dulles  
Director

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant to the Director

SUBJECT: Letter to Postmaster Summerfield

Reference our conversation concerning the letter to Postmaster General Summerfield in which the Director wanted the reply to tie in some way to the work of the Agency, I have prepared the attached draft with this in mind.

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Director of Communications